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Applicant : Stephen W. Briggs, III
 App. No : 10/762,772
 Filed : January 22, 2004
 For : DEVICE AND METHOD FOR
 SECURING TRACHEOSTOMY TUBE
 ATTACHMENTS
 Examiner : Teena Kay Mitchell
 Art Unit : 3743

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Glen L. Nettall, Reg. No. 46,188

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application are the following enclosures:

(X) Office Action Response in 10 pages.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

The present application qualifies for Small Entity Status under 37 CFR 1.27.

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FEE TYPE		FEE CODE	CALCULATION	TOTAL
Excess Claims > 20	19 - 20 = 0	2202 (\$25)	0 x 25 =	\$0
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2 Month Extension	1.17(a)(2)	2252 (\$225)		\$225
			TOTAL FEE DUE	\$225

(X) An extension of time is hereby requested by payment of the appropriate fee indicated above.

(X) A check in the amount of \$225 is enclosed.

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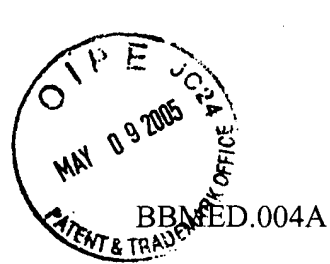
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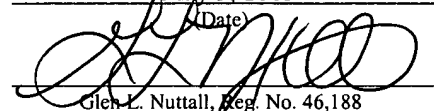
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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 3, 2004, please reconsider the above-captioned application in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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